When self-described “socialist” Bernie Sanders ran for president, a 73-year-old reached out to the young to mount a “revolution” against the existing political and economic establishment.

As improbable as this campaign was, it immediately took flight. Millions of voters, especially young people, joined “Bernie’s army.” In state after state, he won Democratic voters under the age of 40 by overwhelming majorities. His fervent supporters made almost a million small gifts to the campaign, average size $31. This was unheard of.

What motivated Bernie to undertake his ground breaking campaign? First and foremost, he was appalled by the economic inequality of American society, which he felt was getting ever worse. He wanted to tax the rich and especially Wall Street much more heavily in order to finance more Social Security and Medicare for all, among other expanded government programs.

Sanders planned to jumpstart the economy by vastly increasing government investments in “infrastructure” such as roads and bridges. He would raise the minimum wage to $15 an hour for a start and keep raising it. He would open US borders to immigration while simultaneously cutting back on open borders for trade.

Would Sanders’s ideas work? Where Bernie Went Wrong, written by a globally recognized economic expert, considers this question. It concludes that Sanders is right in calling for a revolution against today’s political and economic elites, but that his proposed solutions would actually increase crony capitalist corruption and by doing so make the plight of the poor and middle class even worse.